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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND, 1875.

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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH.

Intimations.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIIGO.

THE British Steamer

"LOTUS"

Captain Gray will have immediate despatch

for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.

Agents.

at 1827, Hongkong, 2nd November, 1875.

For Sale,

BEST TARASIMA COAL, fresh from the

Pits to suit Purchasers, at \$8 per

Ton, ex Godown.

Apply to

THOS. G. GLOVER,

No. 7, Queen's Road, or East Point,

1m 1825, Hongkong, 2nd November, 1875.

CHRISTMAS BEER

PRIME CHRISTMAS BEER,

COINED BEER,

OX TONGUES,

TURKEYS,

OYSTERS,

&c., &c., &c.

F. HUTCHINS,

All Orders sent to J. E. WHITE, "Star Hotel," will be punctually attended to.

2m 1817, Hongkong, 1st November, 1875.

NOTICE.

WE have established ourselves at this Port

as MANUFACTURERS, SALE-

MAKERS, and GENERAL STOREKEEP-

ERS, under the firm of

HEUBMANN, HERSTET & CO.

E. W. HEUBMANN,

D. HERSTET,

13, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 1st November, 1875.

COAL DEPOT.

COALS of all descriptions supplied to Steamers

by the Undersigned, Orders may be left at the Godowns, Wanchai, with Mr. J. MACLEHOSE, or THOMAS YOUNG, Praya.

LANDSTEIN & CO.

1m 1820, Hongkong, 1st November, 1875.

SELLING OFF.

CLOSING BUSINESS.

MRS. GARRETT begs to inform the ladies

and Gentlemen of Hongkong that her

Stock is still on Sale, at

FURTHER REDUCED PRICES,

Until the 10th of November, when the remain-

ing Part will be sold by Auction.

MISS GARRETT,

DRAPE, SILVER MERCER, &c.,

QUEEN'S ROAD.

10d 1808, Hongkong, 5th October, 1875.

NOTICE.

DR. STOUT begs to announce to Friends

and Patrons his return to Hongkong,

No. 1, Alexandra Terrace, 1875.

Hongkong, 26th October, 1875.

PROFESSOR BAAR,

PROFESSOR OF LANGUAGES,

No. 3, HOLLYWOOD ROAD,

LESSON given in English, GERMAN, and

GERMAN—MATHEMATICS.

Letters may also be addressed to the care of

the Daily Press Office.

In 1875, Hongkong, 21st October, 1875.

PATENT SLIP & DOCK COMPANY

AND

NOVELTY IRON WORKS,

No. 32, Praya West,

MACHINE, BOILER, and BLACKSMITH

SHOPS.

IRON and BRASS FOUNDERS.

IRON and BRASS FOUNDERS.

STEAM LAUNCH FOR HIRE.

To BE LET to Towing or Piping, the large

powerful Steam Launch "YUM LOONG."

Superior accommodation. Terms moderate.

Apply to

TUNG KEE & CO.,

6m 1435, Hongkong, 27th September, 1875.

NOTices to Consignees

FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND

SINGAPORE.

THE British Steamer "LOTUS" having arrived

from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo

by her are hereby informed that their Goods

are being landed into their Godowns in

both the Godowns of the Undersigned, in both

cases it will lie at Consignee's risk.

The cargo will be stored from Craft or Godown

and after the 30th October, 1875.

Goods undelivered after 6th November, 1875,

will be subject to Rent.

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE, Agents.

8m 1600, Hongkong, 30th October, 1875.

S.S. "TIGRE."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES

NOTICE.

CONSIGNNEES per Company's Steamer

"ANTENOR" are hereby informed that the

cargo in the hold of the Undersigned, in both

cases it will lie at Consignee's risk.

The cargo will be stored at the Company's Godowns

and after the 30th October, 1875.

Goods undelivered after 6th November, 1875,

will be subject to Rent.

O. BECKRAN,

Practical Agent,

15m 1822, Hongkong, 22nd October, 1875.

Arrivals.

To be Let.

October 31, PEAK, British str., 705, Monk, Panay 16th October, and Sing-pore 20th, General—CHINESE.

November 1, KORENTHAW, Danish str., 701, C. Paulsen, Saigon 22nd October, Rice and Rice Flots.—AH YON.

November 1, NEMOOR, British steamer, 1,412, Win. Courtney, Shanghai 23rd October, and Foochow 24th, Tea and General—BOTTERFIELD & SWINE.

November 1, AYA, French steamer, 705, Mon, Fuzhou 29th October, General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

November 1, FU-YUN, Chinese steamer, 920, C. M. S. N. Co., Saigon 23rd October, General—C. M. S. N. Co.

November 1, ASTA, Danish str., 880, H. P. Melvin, Saigon 24th October, Rice and Rice Flots.—AH YON.

November 1, LOREN, British str., 1,405, Gray, London 9th September, Port Said 10th, Suez 27th, Penang 10th October, and Singapore 24th, General—D. SASSOON.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, November 1st.

Nestor, str., for Singapore and London.

Coldon, str., for Bangkok.

Brisbane, str., for Cooktown.

Gaile, str., for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Leonor, str., for Manila.

Ningpo, str., for Swatow and Shanghai.

Departures.

November 1, ANTHONY, for Bangkok.

November 1, GAILE, str., for Yokohama and San Francisco.

November 1, LEONOR, str., for Manila.

November 1, BRAISSE, str., for Cooktown.

November 1, NINPO, str., for Swatow and Shanghai.

November 1, WEYMOUTH, for San Francisco.

November 1, FT-YEW-ST, for Canton.

November 1, THEODORE KORNÉ, for San Francisco.

Passengers.

ARRIVED.

For Asia, str., from Shanghai.

For Asia, str., and Mrs. RAYL, Mr. J. M. BATES, Miss SCOTT, General E. Upde, General FORTY, Mr. T. Sanger, Meares, W. G. CHAMBERS, Mr. H. Chamberlain, Walter Chamberlain, Judge MacRae, Duncan and Onder, and Crocker, two Italian sailors, and 18 Chinese.

For Saigon.—Miss E. BLAND, Roche, Minervi, Scard, Boite, and 20 sailors.

For Marseilles.—Mr. and Mrs. Blythe and 3 children, Mrs. Little, and Mrs. Moore.

Leigh Smith, George, and 20 sailors.

Sim, Edward, Rawfawd, H. Hickling, Wimber, with Mr. Miller, G. Leaper, Welch, and Titchall.

For Kuching, str., from Saigon.

82 Chineses.

Per Pearl, str., from Penang, &c.—213 Chinese.

Per Asia, str., from Saigon.—45 Chinese.

Per Nestor, str., from Shanghai.

Per Fu-jen, str., from Shanghai.

Masso, Moffatt, and Posts, and 10 Chinese.

Per Lotus, str., from London, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. Crane, child, servant, and 28 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Gadic, str., for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Per Yokohama, 3 Chinese.

For San Francisco.—181 Chinese.

Per Nestor, str., from London, &c.—4 Chineses.

Per Dwellings, str., for Alexandra.

STORE and DWELLING HOUSE No. 31, Queen's Road, at present in the occupation of Miss GARRETT. Possession from 1st November.

DWELLING HOUSES No. 1 and No. 2, St. John's Place.

With Immediate Possession.

TWO DWELLINGHOUSES and OFFICES, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs. PAYNE & CO.

THE DWELLINGHOUSE, No. 35, Wellington Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs. ROZARIO & CO.

TO BE LET.

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THE HOUSE No. 7, Gough Street.

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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.
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BELIEF.
At Greenbush, Hongkong, on the 1st Nov., 1875, Mrs. JOHN FAIRBALEN, of a Son.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 2ND, 1875.

The Memorial from the Yamen of Foreign Affairs on the relations between China and Foreign Powers, published in the *Peking Gazette* of the 8th ultimo, it is believed, will be found in another column, is perhaps the most valuable concession Mr. Wade has been able to wring from the Peking Government. It must have gone sorely against the grain for Chinese statesmen to be compelled to "word such a document for official publication. It is interesting to note how, while formally advocating intercourse with foreigners as a disagreeable necessity which has grown up, the memoralists carefully abstain from really admitting Foreign Powers to any equality with the Central Kingdom. The desirability of preventing misunderstandings is insisted upon, as a cogent reason for admitting Foreign Ministers to intercourse with the high officials of the Chinese Government at Peking. The argument of the foreigners is only quoted in favour of this concession. The Foreign Ministers resident in Peking, the memoralists protest, "have repeatedly conversed with Your servants on this subject, and have observed that owing to the entire absence of intercourse between the representatives of Foreign powers and the high officers of the Chinese Government at the Capital, it is no matter for surprise if the people, in view of such distance (or estrangement) on the side of public functionaries, should fail to hold foreign officials and subjects in respect." As a sort of excuse for China not having yielded this point before, they state that in restraining from having relations with foreigners, "the heads of the different departments of State have, in fact, done no more than adhere faithfully to the principle of 'non-intercourse' with those under a foreign rule." To this principle they have done only too closely for the good of foreigners and for the promotion of the best interests of their own country.

They have now surrendered to stern necessity, and it is but evident, with an absence of free will. Almost throughout, this document exhibits traces of its forced character. There is in it a disposition visible to take back, or deprive in one clause of a sentence what is conceded in another. Thus: "The condition of affairs at the present day do not longer what it was of old; and although the courtesies extended in European countries to foreign representatives cannot be reproduced in China, yet it would at the same time appear that intercourse ought not to be altogether eschewed." From this it is quite plain that though the Chinese officials cannot avoid recognising some accomplished facts, to which they would fain, if possible, shut their eyes, they are bent on asserting to the last the supremacy of the occupant of the Dragon Throne over all the outer kingdoms. It is distinctly intimated that, though this highly valued intercourse cannot in future be "altogether eschewed," the courtesies extended to foreign representatives will not be reproduced. Why not? Because, forsooth, the Emperor of CHINA must not be placed on a level with the sovereigns of other countries. It is time this miserable fiction of Chinese supremacy should be exploded and put aside. There has long ceased to be the slightest ground for it, and in the present condition of the Empire it is ridiculous to urge it. None but a people brimming with self-conceit would dream of maintaining a delusion which neither exists nor lowers foreigners. As far as the latter are concerned they can, of course, well afford to regard the Imperial pretensions with abnegation and contempt. But the Chinese people can derive nothing but injury from the perpetuation of such silly and vain pretensions. Ignorance and conceit usually keep company, and the former effectually blinds its possessor to his deficiencies. The Chinese cannot, through their overweening vanity, see the great inferiority of most of their institutions to those of European nations, and fail to discover the superiority of Western civilisation.

While, however, the memoralists in this case, as has been pointed out, have really, and in effect, asserted the superiority of China, they in a vague and various manner disclaim any such assumption. "In the relations subsisting between equal nations," the memorial states, "the idea of relative superiority or inferiority has never really had a place. Nevertheless, foreigners who do not know the actual facts, or perceiving that in copies of Imperial decrees the designation of this or that equal State is not elevated in the column of characters, are constantly impressed with the suspicion that a claim of superiority is implied, and they entertain the apprehension, moreover, that a want of respect on the part of the Chinese officials and people may thus be encouraged." The Chinese, however, are not so easily satisfied. We learn that the Hoopy, with the next French mail, left Saigon for Hongkong on Sunday afternoon.

Europe, and they must maintain it, even at the expense of some few of the whims and prejudices of the statesmen and courtiers of Peking.

A meeting of the Government Fire Brigade will take place at half-past four this afternoon.

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The Superintendent of the P. & O. Company has received a telegram stating that the steamer Golconda, with the next English mail, left Singapore yesterday at daylight.

The steamer belonging to Kwok Aschoon, having undergone the necessary repairs, made a satisfactory trial trip yesterday. It is intended to run her between Hongkong and Canton.

The Head of Her Majesty's 80th Regiment will perform the following programme in the Public Gardens this evening at 5.30 p.m.—
Tuesday, "On Scotch Songs"; Wednesday, "Fin"; Thursday, "Loring Song"; Friday, "Schubert Selection"; Saturday, "Brahms' Gitarre"; Sunday, "Amorette Thaine"; Monday, "Gang"; Tuesday, "God Save the Queen".

W. W. FAYING, Bandmaster.

We are indebted to a "labor contemporary" for the following figures, showing that Indian mullus are steadily gaining favour in the Home Market. They represent the number of pounds of Indian fish imported into the United Kingdom from 1865 to 1875—
1865: 3,027,000 lbs.; 1866: 4,000,000 lbs.; 1867: 7,773,000 lbs.; 1868: 12,942,000 lbs.; 1869: 15,151,000 lbs.; 1870: 16,450,000 lbs.; 1871: 18,471,000 lbs.; 1872: 18,440,000 lbs. One contemporary remarks that there is still abundance of room for competition with the rival Chinese fish of which an average of 130,000,000 pounds have been imported yearly in the above period.

SUPREME COURT.
1st November.

BEFORE THE HON. C. J. JUSTICE (SIR J. SMITH) AND A SPECIAL JURY.

MELCHERS AND CO. v. RUSSELL AND CO. \$6,888.69.

This was an action to recover the above amount on some cargoes of rice.

The Jury were: Messrs. E. R. Bellios, Sir W. Harrison, Mr. J. F. D. Sutherland, G. Guestier, and T. G. Limbert.

The Attorney-General (Hon. J. Bramston), instructed by Messrs. Sharp and Toller, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. Hayter, Q.C., instructed by Messrs. Caldwell and Breerton was for defendants.

The Attorney-General opened the case at once, though the jury, he said, had been engaged in putting together dredging machine for the Poole River, which was built in New York. Some delay is occasioned by the want of fresh machinery. The Chinese mandarins see the advisability of keeping open the approach to the capital by the aid of Western machinery. This redoubtable man, like a tyke, is a lion-drafter by trade, whatever his military rank, if he has any, may be. He was deputed to lie in wait on one route, as to endeavour to destroy Colonel Horatio Browne's expedition to Tung-tau, and to intercept him, while, who named him? I am sorry to inform the same officer on another route. We have no doubt, however, the similar cause will produce a renewal of the former complaints sooner or later. The Chinese, particularly, who reported on the state of the Bar, times being somewhat come here. We trust those who delay it to watch over the mercantile interests of the port are not allowing the matter to rest. —Caledonian Empire.

The opinion in Burmah, amongst others, is that we are under the impression that nothing is going to be done just now in the matter of dredging the Woosung Bar, since the water is not for the moment shoaling, and but little is being said on the subject at present. We have no doubt, however, the similar cause will produce a renewal of the former complaints sooner or later. The Chinese, particularly, who reported on the state of the Bar, times being somewhat come here. We trust those who delay it to watch over the mercantile interests of the port are not allowing the matter to rest. —Caledonian Empire.

THE CHINIAN.
Messrs. Spencer and Wolff write from Chin-tung, on the 27th October—During the week under review a fair demand has existed for most kinds of Greek Goods, at prices which in some instances compare favourably with those current in Shanghai. The *China Standard* is the market's chief source of information, and the Chinese mandarins having run almost entirely on such goods, are reported at 7 lbs. Green Lion at Tls. 1.46 per piece, and Horse and Jockey, at Tls. 1.87 per piece; 82-lbs. Green Lion, Tls. 1.82 to 1.86; Red Pleasure, Tls. 1.62 to 1.86 per piece. On Globe, Tls. 1.88 to 1.95 per piece. 2-lbs. Business has been confined to common articles, such as quinque, &c. Chinese mandarins having run almost entirely on such goods, are reported at 7 lbs. Green Lion at Tls. 1.46 per piece, and Horse and Jockey, at Tls. 1.87 per piece; 82-lbs. Green Lion, Tls. 1.82 to 1.86; Red Pleasure, Tls. 1.62 to 1.86 per piece. On Globe, Tls. 1.88 to 1.95 per piece. 2-lbs. 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Extracts.

OCTOBER'S SONG.

"Deep brown eyes," sang gay October,
"Deep brown eyes running over with glee;
Blue eyes pale and grey are sober,
Brown brown eyes are the eyes for me."

"Black eyes alight in the glowing sun;

"With red of rose and yellow orange;

"But candle-like glow when the still late-comer,

"Silvery frost, sleep over the moon."

"Blue eyes shinny with angel grace,

"Like spring violets over the lea—

"But oh, my eyes, my wins, and my dance,

"What have angels in common with me?"

"Go, grey eyes! What know ye of laughing,

"Gaily wild glies from the more sunshines?

"On to your bosoms! What know ye of quaffing

"Quintessences from the most rapt vines?

"All the earth is full of reclining,

"Swinging in over, largest is done;

"All the trees are ready for collecting,

"Growing grand with golden fruit."

"Stay, brown eyes, in the purple weather,

"A crowd of pink leaves with rapier blunt,

"Shining like snow, white and clear,

"We two will travel to heart's content."

Thus October's wife was smiling,

"All the red roses with many sweet berries,

"And brown each linden, with footprints stayed—

Wistful to see her through the sunny day!

And earth and sky fell to merry smiling,

As hard as land they wandered away.

SHYLOCK.

Every age has its heroes, on whom it delights to heap honours. Poor Shylock was born before his time! Had he flourished in the nineteenth century, to one would have spelt upon his head rebuke or twisted him in most ungentlemanly manner about his money and his menses. He would have been the colonel of a regiment of Italian

Volunteers, the diplomatic representative of some Eastern potentate, and his state would have graced the Piazza of San Marco. His Excellency Colonel Shylock would have been noted for his charities and for his entertainments, and he would have gone down to his grave loved, honoured, and respected by his fellow-citizens, with a suitable inscription on a marble tablet in the synagogue which he frequented, handing down to posterity his numerous virtues.—*World*.

EDUCATED WOMEN AND MEN IN THE UNITED STATES.

Of all the features of American society none was more delightful to me than the tolerant freedom of conversation. Men and women, too, gave the impression in talk of a wish to know and understand things in their reality, and not merely as vailed by conventional habits and traditions. Not that there was any disrespect of customary ideas, but that these ideas were not necessarily assumed in all cases indisputable. So much freedom, yet responsiveness, give a depth and vivacity to conversation that nothing else gives. I should say, without any doubt, that women, if not better educated, are more intellectually disposed than with us. Their culture may not be a broader foundation, or be at times so rich and varied, but it is more philosophical, so to speak, more acute and certainly more independent. A woman feels herself quite entitled to hold her own opinion, literary or political or ecclesiastical, against those of her husband or brother or parents; and if this is done with courtesy and good-humoured self-possession, it is done well. Life is not likely to be the emptier, but the fuller, for it.

The healthy intellectual tone of the more educated classes is shown by their genuine love for the masterpieces of their own literature. Of late years it has been the fashion in this country, even among well-educated and intelligent people, to admire the more recent developments of American literature, as if they were of exceptional originality, and peculiarly native to the soil. Bret Harte deserves all the admiration he has received. There is the flavour of the aboriginal pine forest in the lyrics and stories; there is the charm of true genius in both. But Mark Twain, and even Artemus Ward, have been also accepted as higher specimens of American culture. Nothing seemed to give more offence than this to the intellectual circles of Boston and New York, with the reputation of Hawthorne, and Prescott, and Washington Irving, still fresh amongst them, and the names of Emerson, Holmes, Lowell, and Bryant still living and powerful. They feel indignant, and not unnaturally so, that their literature should be spoken of as represented by "the Innocents Abroad," and sketches like the "Jumping Frog" however amusing and clever these sketches are. In this respect, we think, as in others, American culture must not be judged by its more obtrusive types. There is everywhere a solid background, both of character and intellect, amongst the people, which allies itself with all that is best in their national history and life, and with much that is best in our own national and intellectual development. The intelligent traveller in the States finds himself everywhere in contact, not merely with queer types of character, strange opinions, and strange and offensive manners—which is the impression so prominently conveyed by many English writers on America—but with all the solid qualities of well-bred manhood and bushy-head compared by a most genial friendliness, and many fine specimens of intellectual and moral earnestness.

It must be admitted that there is a crudeness in certain forms of social manner in America—lack of polish, in externals.

Friendliness is apt to rise into officiousness,

and it is difficult to move about—if you are of any consequence at all—without attracting more notice than you desire, and especially if you are a public man at all, without being obliged to speak, when you would rather be silent. You are apt to suffer from interrogation at hands of even highly intelligent, who would probably learn more in the end than they would give you time to collect your thoughts, and to talk at your leisure. If you are fond of speaking, and are supposed to have anything to say, a pulpit or a platform will always be at your service. Well talked—I have already said—you are expected to talk in return. Speech-making reaches the height of a discomfit. I have nothing to say in its defence. Good speaking is so rare, and requires so much careful culture, that it must be frequently very bad where it is so common. When it enters into society, it is beyond excuse—a sign of rawness and imperfect growth, as it was in Scotland more than thirty years ago. There is a good deal of this naivete still in America. But its prevailing friendliness cordially covers a multitude of sins. And it may be doubted whether the advance of social culture in deficiency and vice is not nearly purchased, when purchased as it often is, at the expense of coldness and impatience. Nothing is so easy as to learn the tricks of society, whether these be of naivete or of obtrusiveness. Too much must not be made of the conventional proprieties of any mere external mode. Real friendliness, and the kindness of a cause—hospitability which you may never claim again, and may never have an opportunity of returning, are not learned in any conventional school of manners. And too much can hardly be made of social virtues of this kind. In such virtues America abounds, and abounds whatever afflictions and exactions there must be a true fibre of moral character in any people, whom there are savings in strength, a willingness to serve others, and the courtesy of true-kindness.—*Principal Student in Good Words*.

HYDROPATHY IN THE OLDEN TIME.

As St John Flory wrote: "Many of our English springs will do miraculous cures when used in cold bathing, which in ages more illustrious were imputed to the virtue of the saint to whom they were dedicated, or to the devotions used there. Parents used always at the baptism of their children to desire the priest to dip that part very well to prevent any disease used to afflict themselves, to prevent its being hereditary." However, at most English wells, as at Holywell, St. Mungo's, Willowbridge, and other places, our ancestors were not satisfied with simple immersion, but practised extensively what is the key-note of the modern water cure.

The way of sweating by cold water was sometimes practised by our 'country gentlemen' who loved horse races to abate the weight of rider. Dip the rider's shirt in cold water, and after it is put on very wet, lay the person in warm blankets to sweat him violently, and he will after lose a pound or two. Others content themselves with dipping only the child's shirt and nightcap in water and put them on wet on him." But when there was total immersion, the children as soon as they were adipose, were, with their wet clothes on wrapped up in blankets and put immediately to bed, which instantly puts them into a violent sweat." It is thus plain that in those days they had at least a very good notion of the practice, if not of the principles, of hydrotherapy.—*Satirical Record*.

THE BET FARSON.

He must be capable of striking a mild glow of passion into the breasts of nature-spirits and of inspiring with emotion of a more fervid piety the young married and unmarried ladies of this branch of provincial fashion. School girls will be discovered to contrive photographs between the pages of contraband novels, and faindes of filly will mutter his name as if they were invoking an angel of heaven. Is he not a husband and a father? Is he not a spiritual teacher and a priest? If he is a fogy's man, does he not carry righteously and healing wherever he goes? As for the particular school of ecclesiastical thought with which he may identify himself, it will, of course, entirely depend upon the hue of the local religious sentiment." Generally, it may be said, he will shun the falsehood of extremes, and be willing to Puritanism or Ritualism according to the majority of his flock consists of elderly maidens or marriageable young women." It is to his accomplishments and his personal influence that he will trust rather to any display of apostolic enthusiasm in whatever direction. He will loss no opportunity of exhibiting the eloquent gifts with which nature, supplemented by the training of historic art, has enriched him. The penmanship, ideas will be more thoroughly elaborated, and will at last take the form of a fashionable soiree held in the hall as assembly-rooms. He will be in porcupine request at all the best families. He will accompany a pianoforte with his flute, and he will be able to reproduce the notes of the nightingale from his own melodiously silibrant lungs. By degrees he will come to be recognised as something more than a mere carpet cleric, an ornamental figure-head of the Church militant. Work in the sense of parochial visiting amongst those who are sick and in trouble, he will do; why should one not razors to cut blocks? He has achieved the reputation of eloquence, and he will be called upon to give winter lectures to literary associations and young men's institutes. His lectures are as thin as his sermons. There is neither knowledge nor power, neither originality nor argument. But he has such a "beautiful delivery" so fine a presence, so frank and open a brow! Moreover, his sentences are neat, and he occasionally succeeds in introducing the antithesis which apes, but is not, epigram. Thus it goes on from year to year, and our parson has gradually come to be credited with the possession of administrative power. He has shown so much industry in organising readings, and lectures, and chess-clubs, has upon every occasion put forth so much rhetorical address, that the bishop of the diocese is interested in him by the epidemic of exfoliation, and publicly thanks him for the work he has done. In six months' time a vacancy occurs in an important north London incumbency.—*World*.

GOLD-FISH BREEDING.

To breed gold-fish in any numbers your pond ought not to be less than 8 ft. wide and 2 ft. deep, with a smaller tank 2 ft. deep near the centre, for the fish to go in when the pond is cleaned out. The following plants should be placed in the pond—gathers of *Valenzia spiralis*, two of the Water-soldier (*Stratiotes*), two of the Water-lily, and three plants of the *Anacharis*, which is the best plant I have discovered for a pond that will cause gold-fish to breed in it. The fish will always find food where the *Anacharis* grows, and will eat it, hide in it, and spawn on it. I let a gentleman—a self-air-acting can some five years ago to bring home two dozen of gold-fish from Paris. Major Hastings went round to the right and left, having returned under cover of the leopard remained *in pectus*, while the two police officers tried every means to make him break cover, but without effect. 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